

## Soils



### Total and aqua regia leachable element content

		Certified values			
Total element content	ERM-CC141 - Loam soil 24 g				
	As	9.9 ± 1.5		mg/kg	
	Cd	0.35 ± 0.05		mg/kg	
	Co	8.5 ± 0.5		mg/kg	
	Cr	86 ± 8		mg/kg	
	Cu	14.4 ± 1.34		mg/kg	
	Hg	0.083 ± 0.017		mg/kg	
	Mn	464 ± 18		mg/kg	
	Ni	26.4 ± 2.4		mg/kg	
	Pb	41 ± 4		mg/kg	
	Zn	57 ± 4		mg/kg	
Aqua regia leachable	As	7.5 ± 1.4		mg/kg	
	Cd	0.25 ± 0.04		mg/kg	
	Co	7.9 ± 0.9		mg/kg	
	Cr	31 ± 4		mg/kg	
	Cu	12.4 ± 0.9		mg/kg	
	Hg	0.080 ± 0.008		mg/kg	
	Mn	387 ± 17		mg/kg	
	Ni	21.9 ± 1.6		mg/kg	
	Pb	32.2 ± 1.4		mg/kg	
Zn	50 ± 4		mg/kg		
Total element content	BCR-142R - light sandy soil 50 g				
	Cd	0.34 ± 0.04		mg/kg	
	Co	12.1 ± 0.7		mg/kg	
	Cu	69.7 ± 1.3		mg/kg	
	Hg	0.067 ± 0.011		mg/kg	
	Mn	970 ± 16		mg/kg	
	Ni	64.5 ± 2.5		mg/kg	
	Pb	40.2 ± 1.9		mg/kg	
	Aqua regia leachable	Cd	0.249 ± 0.010		mg/kg
		Pb	25.7 ± 1.6		mg/kg
		Zn	93.3 ± 2.7		mg/kg
Total element content	BCR-143R - Sewage sludge amended soil 50 g				
	Cd	71.8 ± 1.2		mg/kg	
	Co	12.3 ± 0.3		mg/kg	
	Cu	130.6 ± 1.5		mg/kg	
	Hg	1.10 ± 0.07		mg/kg	
	Mn	904 ± 13		mg/kg	
	Ni	299 ± 5		mg/kg	
	Pb	179.7 ± 2.1		mg/kg	
	Zn	1055 ± 14		mg/kg	
	Aqua regia leachable	Cd	72.0 ± 1.8		mg/kg
		Cr	426 ± 12		mg/kg
		Mn	858 ± 11		mg/kg
		Ni	296 ± 4		mg/kg
		Pb	174 ± 5		mg/kg
		Zn	1063 ± 16		mg/kg

### Pedological parameters

IRMM-443-1 to IRMM-443-7 are representative for major European soil types. They are available in units of 200 g and are certified for the following pedological parameters:

- $K_d$  of atrazine according OECD Testguideline 106
- $1/n$  of atrazine according OECD Testguideline 106
- $K_d$  of 2,4-D according OECD Testguideline 106
- $1/n$  of 2,4-D according OECD Testguideline 106
- $K_d$  of lindane according OECD Testguideline 106
- $1/n$  of lindane according OECD Testguideline 106
- pH in water according to ISO 10390
- pH in 0.01M  $CaCl_2$  according to ISO 10390

### Rare earth elements

		Certified values		
ERM-CC690 calcareous soil 70 g	Ce	49.1 ± 2.5	mg/kg	
	Dy	2.90 ± 0.28	mg/kg	
	Gd	3.2 ± 0.4	mg/kg	
	La	24.4 ± 1.7	mg/kg	
	Nd	19.1 ± 2.2	mg/kg	
	Sc	7.9 ± 0.9	mg/kg	
	Sm	3.5 ± 0.4	mg/kg	
	Tb	0.50 ± 0.07	mg/kg	
	Th	7.6 ± 0.8	mg/kg	
	Tm	0.232 ± 0.026	mg/kg	
	U	1.90 ± 0.23	mg/kg	
	Yb	1.57 ± 0.19	mg/kg	

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# Joint Research Centre Certified reference materials for sewage sludges, sediments and soils

## Sewage sludges



### Total and aqua regia leachable element content

		Certified values			
BCR-146R sewage sludge (industrial origin) 50 g	Total element content				
	Cd	18.8	±	0.5	mg/kg
	Co	7.39	±	0.27	mg/kg
	Cr	196	±	7	mg/kg
	Cu	838	±	16	mg/kg
	Hg	8.6	±	0.4	mg/kg
	Mn	323	±	7	mg/kg
	Ni	70	±	5	mg/kg
	Pb	609	±	14	mg/kg
	Zn	3060	±	60	mg/kg
	Aqua regia leachable				
	Cd	18.4	±	0.4	mg/kg
	Co	6.5	±	0.4	mg/kg
	Cr	174	±	7	mg/kg
	Cu	831	±	16	mg/kg
	Hg	8.39	±	0.25	mg/kg
	Mn	298	±	9	mg/kg
	Ni	65.0	±	3.0	mg/kg
	Pb	583	±	17	mg/kg
	Zn	3040	±	60	mg/kg

### Total and aqua regia leachable element content

	Certified values			
BCR-145R sewage sludge (mixed origin) 40 g	Total element content			
	Cd	3.50	± 0.15	mg/kg
	Co	5.6	± 0.4	mg/kg
	Cu	696	± 12	mg/kg
	Hg	2.01	± 0.22	mg/kg
	Mn	156	± 4	mg/kg
	Ni	247	± 7	mg/kg
	Pb	286	± 5	mg/kg
	Zn	2122	± 23	mg/kg
	Aqua regia leachable			
	Cd	(3.43	± 0.17)	mg/kg
	Co	(5.3	± 0.7)	mg/kg
	Cr	307	± 13	mg/kg
	Cu	707	± 9	mg/kg
	Hg	(1.99	± 0.08)	mg/kg
	Mn	(145	± 7)	mg/kg
	Ni	251	± 6	mg/kg
	Pb	282	± 9	mg/kg
	Zn	2140	± 50	mg/kg

Values in brackets are indicative only

### Dioxins and furans

		Certified values			
BCR-677 sewage sludge 40 g	Dioxins				
	D48	1.51	±	0.16	ng/kg
	D54	4.1	±	0.9	ng/kg
	D67	235	±	16	ng/kg
	D70	79	±	7	ng/kg
	D73	3500	±	400	ng/kg
	D75	12700	±	800	ng/kg
	Furans				
	F83	45	±	4	ng/kg
	F94	24.8	±	1.6	ng/kg
	F114	16.9	±	1.5	ng/kg
	F118	14.5	±	1.6	ng/kg
	F121	6.1	±	0.8	ng/kg
	F124	0.84	±	0.29	ng/kg
	F130	5.6	±	0.6	ng/kg
	F131	6.2	±	3	ng/kg
	F134	6.3	±	0.8	ng/kg
	F135	1.77	±	7	ng/kg

### Confidence in measurements

All certificates and detailed production information can be found at <https://crm.irmm.jrc.ec.europa.eu>

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## Sediments



### Extractable element fractions

		Extraction media for which values are assigned
<b>BCR-483</b> sewage sludge amended soil 35 g	Cd, Cr, Cu, Ni, Pb, Zn	EDTA acetic acid calcium chloride sodium nitrate ammonium nitrate
<b>BCR-484</b> sewage sludge amended (terra rossa) soil	Cd, Cr, Cu, Ni, Pb, Zn	EDTA acetic acid calcium chloride sodium nitrate ammonium nitrate
<b>BCR-700</b> organic-rich soil	Cd, Cr, Cu, Ni, Pb, Zn	EDTA acetic acid

### Metal species content

	Certified values			
<b>ERM-CC580</b> estuarine sediment 40 g	Total Hg	132 ± 3	mg/kg	
	CH <sub>3</sub> Hg	0.075 ± 0.004	mg/kg	
<b>BCR-462</b> coastal sediment 25 g	Tributyltin	54 ± 15	µg/kg	
	Dibutyltin	68 ± 12	µg/kg	
<b>BCR-646</b> freshwater sediment 40 g	Tributyltin	480 ± 80	µg/kg	
	Dibutyltin	770 ± 90	µg/kg	
	Monobutyltin	610 ± 120	µg/kg	
	Triphenyltin	29 ± 11	µg/kg	
	Diphenyltin	36 ± 8	µg/kg	
	Monophenyltin	69 ± 18	µg/kg	

### Extractable element fractions

	Certified values			
<b>BCR-684</b> river sediment, 35 g	NaOH-extractable P	550 ± 21	mg/kg	
	HCl-extractable P	536 ± 28	mg/kg	
	Inorganic P	1113 ± 24	mg/kg	
	Organic P	209 ± 9	mg/kg	
	Conc. HCl-extract. P	1373 ± 35	mg/kg	
<b>BCR-701</b> lake sediment, 20 g	Cd Cr Cu Ni Pb Zn	Values according to the 3-step sequential extraction procedure; in addition, indicative values for total element contents are assigned		

### Organic pollutants

	Certified values			
<b>BCR-524</b> industrial soil 40 g	Pyrene	173 ± 11	mg/kg	
	benz[a]anthracene	22.5 ± 1.8	mg/kg	
	benzo[a]pyrene	8.6 ± 0.5	mg/kg	
	benzo[b]pyrene	10.6 ± 1.4	mg/kg	
	Benzo[k]fluoranthene	13.5 ± 1.6	mg/kg	
	Benzo[k]fluoranthene	6.2 ± 0.6	mg/kg	
	Benzo [b] naphtho [2,1-d]-thiophene	3.8 ± 0.6	mg/kg	
	Indeno [1,2,3-cd] pyrene	5.1 ± 0.4	mg/kg	
	Pentachlorophenol	0.034 ± 0.005	mg/kg	
<b>BCR-481</b> industrial soil 25 g	PCB-101	37 ± 3	mg/kg	
	PCB-118	9.4 ± 0.7	mg/kg	
	PCB-128	9.1 ± 0.8	mg/kg	
	PCB-149	97 ± 7	mg/kg	
	PCB-153	137 ± 7	mg/kg	
	PCB-156	7.0 ± 0.5	mg/kg	
	PCB-170	52 ± 4	mg/kg	
	PCB-180	124 ± 6	mg/kg	
<b>BCR-529</b> industrial (sandy) soil 50 g	3,4-dichlorophenol	0.23 ± 0.04	mg/kg	
	2,4,5-trichlorophenol	1.51 ± 0.10	mg/kg	
	Pentachlorophenol	0.23 ± 0.04	mg/kg	
	D48	4.5 ± 0.6	µg/kg	
	D54	0.44 ± 0.05	µg/kg	
	D66	1.22 ± 0.21	µg/kg	
	D67	5.4 ± 0.9	µg/kg	
	D70	3.0 ± 0.4	µg/kg	
	F83	0.078 ± 0.013	µg/kg	
	F94	0.145 ± 0.028	µg/kg	
	F114	0.36 ± 0.07	µg/kg	
	F118	3.4 ± 0.5	µg/kg	
	F121	1.09 ± 0.15	µg/kg	
	F124	0.022 ± 0.010	µg/kg	
	F130	0.37 ± 0.05	µg/kg	
<b>BCR-530</b> industrial (clay) soil 50 g	3,4-dichlorophenol	6.0 ± 0.5	mg/kg	
	2,4,5-trichlorophenol	40 ± 7	mg/kg	
	Pentachlorophenol	0.47 ± 0.09	mg/kg	
	Dioxins and furans:			
	D67	0.061 ± 0.011	µg/kg	
	D70	0.0218 ± 0.0029	µg/kg	
	F94	0.24 ± 0.04	µg/kg	
	F114	0.62 ± 0.07	µg/kg	
	F118	0.321 ± 0.016	µg/kg	
	F121	0.186 ± 0.023	µg/kg	
	F130	0.126 ± 0.012	µg/kg	

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	Certified values			
<b>BCR-277R</b> estuarine sediment 40 g	As	18.3 ± 1.8	mg/kg	
	Cd	0.61 ± 0.07	mg/kg	
	Co	22.5 ± 1.4	mg/kg	
	Cr	188 ± 14	mg/kg	
	Cu	63 ± 7	mg/kg	
	Hg	0.128 ± 0.017	mg/kg	
	Ni	130 ± 8	mg/kg	
	Se	(0.58 ± 0.11)	mg/kg	
	Sn	(6.5 ± 1.8)	mg/kg	
	Zn	178 ± 20	mg/kg	
<b>BCR-280R</b> lake sediment 40 g	As	33.4 ± 2.9	mg/kg	
	Cd	0.85 ± 0.10	mg/kg	
	Co	16.8 ± 0.9	mg/kg	
	Cr	126 ± 7	mg/kg	
	Cu	53 ± 6	mg/kg	
	Fe	1.46 ± 0.20	mg/kg	
	Hg	69 ± 5	mg/kg	
	Mn	(0.46 ± 0.09)	mg/kg	
	Ni	(9.5 ± 1.7)	mg/kg	
	Sc	224 ± 25	mg/kg	
<b>BCR-320R</b> channel sediment 30 g	As	21.7 ± 2.0	mg/kg	
	Cd	2.64 ± 0.18	mg/kg	
	Co	9.7 ± 0.6	mg/kg	
	Cr	59 ± 4	mg/kg	
	Cu	46.3 ± 2.9	mg/kg	
	Fe	25700 ± 1300	mg/kg	
	Hg	0.85 ± 0.09	mg/kg	
	Mn	910 ± 50	mg/kg	
	Ni	27.1 ± 2.2	mg/kg	
	Pb	85 ± 5	mg/kg	
	Sc	5.2 ± 0.4	mg/kg	
	Se	(0.96 ± 0.18)	mg/kg	
	Sn	(9.4 ± 1.7)	mg/kg	
	Th	5.3 ± 0.4	mg/kg	
	Tl	0.65 ± 0.08	mg/kg	
	U	1.56 ± 0.20	mg/kg	
	V	46.5 ± 2.8	mg/kg	
	Zn	318 ± 20	mg/kg	
<b>BCR-667</b> estuarine sediment, 40 g	Ce	56.7 ± 2.5	mg/kg	
	Dy	4.01 ± 0.14	mg/kg	
	Er	2.35 ± 0.15	mg/kg	
	Eu	1.00 ± 0.05	mg/kg	
	Gd	4.41 ± 0.12	mg/kg	
	Ho	0.80 ± 0.06	mg/kg	
	La	27.8 ± 1.0	mg/kg	
	Lu	0.325 ± 0.020	mg/kg	
	Nd	25.0 ± 1.4	mg/kg	
	Pr	6.1 ± 0.5	mg/kg	
	Sc	13.7 ± 0.7	mg/kg	
	Sm	4.66 ± 0.20	mg/kg	
	Tb	0.682 ± 0.017	mg/kg	
	Th	10.0 ± 0.5	mg/kg	
	Tm	0.326 ± 0.025	mg/kg	
	U	2.26 ± 0.15	mg/kg	
	Yb	2.20 ± 0.09	mg/kg	

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### Organic pollutants

	Certified values			
<b>BCR-535</b> freshwater harbour sediment 40 g	Pyrene	2.52 ± 0.18	mg/kg	
	Benzo[a]anthracene	1.54 ± 0.10	mg/kg	
	Benzo[a]pyrene	1.16 ± 0.10	mg/kg	
	Benzo[e]pyrene	1.86 ± 0.13	mg/kg	
	Benzo[b]fluoranthene	2.29 ± 0.15	mg/kg	
	Benzo[k]fluoranthene	1.09 ± 0.15	mg/kg	
	Indeno [1,2,3-cd] pyrene	1.56 ± 0.14	mg/kg	
<b>BCR-536</b> freshwater harbour sediment 40 g	PCB-28	44 ± 5	µg/kg	
	PCB-52	38 ± 4	µg/kg	
	PCB-101	44 ± 4	µg/kg	
	PCB-105	3.5 ± 0.6	µg/kg	
	PCB-118	28 ± 3	µg/kg	
	PCB-128	5.4 ± 1.2	µg/kg	
	PCB-138	27 ± 4	µg/kg	
	PCB-149	49 ± 4	µg/kg	
	PCB-153	50 ± 4	µg/kg	
	PCB-156	3.0 ± 0.4	µg/kg	
	PCB-163	17 ± 3	µg/kg	
	PCB-170	13.4 ± 1.4	µg/kg	
	PCB-180	22 ± 2	µg/kg	

